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SUBJECT: ECOWAS COMMUNIQUE

FOLLOWING IS FINAL COMMUNIQUE CHIEFS OF STATE MEETING HELD TO  
SIGN ECOWAS PROTOCOLS:

QUOTE: THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ECONOMIC  
COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATE (E.C.O.W.A.S.) MET IN LOME ON THE  
4TH AND 5TH NOVEMBER, 1976 FOR A FIRST ORDINARY SESSION UNDER  
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THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA, PRESIDENT OF THE

REPUBLIC OF TOGO, PRESIDENT-FOUNDER OF THE TOGO PEOPLE'S RALLY.

WERE PRESENT AT HE MEETING (SIMPLIFIED LISTING):

BENIN - LT. COL. KEREKOU  
IVORY COAST - HOUPHOUET BOIGNY  
GAMBIA - VICE PRESIDENT CAMARA  
GHANA - COMMISSIONER FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING ROBERT GARDINER  
GUINEA - PRIME MINISTER BEAVOGUI  
GUINEA-BISSAU - LUIZ CABRAL  
UPPER VOLTA - LAMIZANA  
LIBERIA - TOLBERT  
MALI-MINISTER OF FINANCE AND TRADE FOUNEKE KEITA  
MAURITANIA - OULD DADDAH  
NIGER - KOUNTCHE  
NIGERIA - LT. GEN. OBASANJO  
SENEGAL - SENGHOR  
SIERRA LEONE - STEVENS  
TOGO - EYADEMA

AFTER HEARING THE REPORT ON THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, THEY EXAMINED AND ADOPTED FIVE PROTOCOLS TO BE ANNEXED TO THE TREATY ESTABLISHING THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES.

THE PROTOCOLS RELATE TO:

1. THE ASSESSMENT OF LOSS OF REVENUE SUFFERED BY MEMBER STATES.
2. THE DEFINITION OF THE CONCEPT OF PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN MEMBER STATES OF THE ECOWAS.
3. THE RE-EXPORTATION WITHIN THE ECOWAS OF GOODS IMPORTED FROM THIRD COUNTRIES.
4. THE CONTRIBUTION OF MEMBER STATES TO THE BUDGET OF THE ECOWAS.
5. THE FUNDS FOR COOPERATION, COMPENSATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ECOWAS.

THE CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT DECIDED TO BASE  
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THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMUNITY IN LAGOS - FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA AND THAT OF THE FUND FOR COOPERATION, COMPENSATION AND DEVELOPMENT IN LOME, REPUBLIC OF TOGO.

FURTHERMORE, IT REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES TO PROPOSE CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING POSTS:

- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: IVORY COAST

- MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE FUND: LIBERIA

THE CONFERENCE HAS EQUALLY TAKEN NOTE WITH INTEREST OF THE PROPOSAL WHICH HAS BEEN MADE FOR INSTITUTING BETWEEN THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ECOWAS A COLLECTIVE PACT OF NON-RECOURSE TO FORCE FOR SETTLING DISPUTES THAT MIGHT ARISE BETWEEN THEM.

AT THE END OF THE DELIBERATIONS, THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT FORMALLY SIGNED THE PROTOCOLS ANNEXED TO THE TREATY.

THEY EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND FRIENDLINESS WHICH CHARACTERIZED THEIR DISCUSSIONS.

THEY THANKED THE TOGOLESE PEOPLE, THEIR GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO, GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA, FOR THE WARM AND BROTHERLY WELCOME ACCORDED THEM DURING THEIR STAY IN LOME.

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